

Tuesday 10 a.m. Oct. 23

McCone - Starts by reading summary contents overnight intelligence - 3 missiles have disappeared. Pres. When do we first intend to interfere with a ship? McNamara. We have a plan. Pres. says. Bobbie 2 points which cause concern - Why didn't we locate this ahead of time - why locate missiles & lock doors after horse is

Bill White (Ball says LBJ)

Pres. says CIA should give us effect of total blockade on Cuba and Germany - McNamara. We are taking U-2 photographs daytimes and targeting them that night. When will proclamation effective - soon after OAS action down tomorrow go after this ship - (Chenault) McNamara says extend tours of duty for Navy and Marines. U-2 accident - SAC instructed 15 min when U-2 goes off course send out 8 planes to destroy Sams site. Pres. delegates to Secy. Defense authority to destroy Sams site only if clearly they shot down our U-2 & only if Pres. unavailable - OAS resolution (Ball) gives us everything we could ask for. Longest lead time - ships - must charter all possible - then requisition 90 or 100 ships.

Than must call up transport aircraft. We propose to exclude ^{POL}Oil Lubricants from goods. Low level flights in order to prove to layman existence of missiles. There will be six flights low level - Debate on other flights - may call up 10,000 Navy men to man destroyers - Take over West Palm Beach - strafing airports if we knock out. McCone & Ball get photographs for Stevenson. Pictures. O.A.S. Ambassadorial group 6 P.M. Meeting.

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